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Claims Nos.:     because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
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3. Claims Nos.: because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).
Box III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)
This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:
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As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international Search Report covers all searchable claims.
2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.
3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this International Search Report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:  1-13
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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-13 (in part)

A method of deactivating an allergen, the method comprising dispersing into an airspace containing or able to support said allergen an allergen-deactivating amount of an allergen-deactivating compound comprising a citrus oil; — methods, uses and deactivants as described in claims 2-13 (in part).

2. claims: 1-9, 11, 12 (in part)

A method of deactivating an allergen, the method comprising dispersing into an airspace containing or able to support said allergen an allergen-deactivating amount of an allergen-deactivating compound comprising a mint oil; — methods and uses as described in claims 2-9, 11 and 12 (in part).

3. claims: 1-13 (in part)

A method of deactivating an allergen, the method comprising dispersing into an airspace containing or able to support said allergen an allergen-deactivating amount of an allergen-deactivating compound comprising bois de rose oil; - methods, uses and deactivants as described in claims 2-13 (in part).

4. claims: 1-13 (in part)

A method of deactivating an allergen, the method comprising dispersing into an airspace containing or able to support said allergen an allergen-deactivating amount of an allergen-deactivating compound comprising oil of jasmine; — methods, uses and deactivants as described in claims 2-13 (in part).

5. claims: 1-9, 11, 12 (in part)

A method of deactivating an allergen, the method comprising dispersing into an airspace containing or able to support said allergen an allergen-deactivating amount of an allergen-deactivating compound comprising frankincense; — methods and uses as described in claims 2-9, 11 and 12 (in part).

6. claims: 1-13 (in part)

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A method of deactivating an allergen, the method comprising dispersing into an airspace containing or able to support said allergen an allergen-deactivating amount of an allergen-deactivating compound comprising oil of bergamot; - methods, uses and deactivants as described in claims 2-13 (in part).

### 7. claims: 1-13 (in part)

A method of deactivating an allergen, the method comprising dispersing into an airspace containing or able to support said allergen an allergen-deactivating amount of an allergen-deactivating compound comprising oil of lemon grass;

- methods, uses and deactivants as described in claims 2-13 (in part).

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